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SUBJECT: U.S. REQUESTS ON RULES OF ORIGIN

REF: (A) GENEVA 888 (B) GENEVA 1215

1. WE ARE PLEASED THAT EC SEEMS PREPARED TO DISCUSS RULES
OF ORIGIN REQUEST WHICH U.S. MADE NOVEMBER 1. WE TRUST
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DISCUSSION WILL BE ON BASIS OF POSSIBLE SOLUTIONS TO PROB-
LEMS WHICH SHOULD BE OF MUTUAL ADVANTAGE.

2. WE UNDERSTAND YOU HAVE ARRANGED INFORMAL MEETING WITH
AN EC REPRESENTATIVE ON MONDAY TO DISCUSS THIS ISSUE.
MATTHEISEN AND SHARK (COMMERCE) WHO WILL BE IN GENEVA WOULD

APPRECIATE AN OPPORTUNITY TO PARTICIPATE IN DISCUSSION.

3. IN DISCUSSION WITH EC REP YOU MAY DRAW ON FOLLOWING POINTS:

(A) WE CONSIDER THE EC/EFTA ORIGIN RULE PROBLEM TO BE AN IMPORTANT ISSUE THAT MUST BE RESOLVED.

(B) WE ARE NOT IN A POSITION TO CONSIDER ANY CHANGE IN THE U.S. REQUEST BUT WELCOME OPPORTUNITY TO DISCUSS IT IN FRANK, OPEN ATMOSPHERE.

(C) WE ARE PREPARED TO LISTEN TO ANY SUGGESTIONS EC WISHES TO MAKE AND GIVE THEM SERIOUS CONSIDERATION IN WASHINGTON.

(D) WHILE WE WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO EXPAND ON THE LIST OF SPECIFIC PRODUCT PROBLEMS SUBMITTED EARLIER TO THE EC, WE CAN INDICATE THAT THE PRODUCT AREAS OF GREATEST CONCERN TO US AT PRESENT ARE TEXTILES, MACHINERY, ELECTRONICS ETC. (BTN CHAPTERS 84-92); AND CHEMICALS. VANCE

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